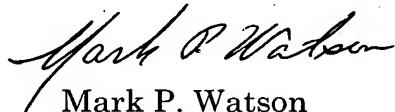


**REMARKS**

The foregoing resubmission of the "Amendments to the claims" section is intended to place the amendment filed February 10, 2005 in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of the present application.

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